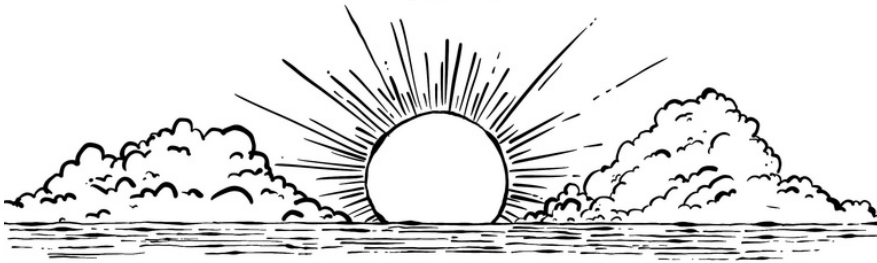


BLESSED SACRAMENT CHURCH

607 Central Ave., Albany, NY 12206

**I Will Praise Your Name Forever,
My King and My God**

—PSALM 145



July 5, 2026
Fourteenth
Sunday in
Ordinary
Time

FROM THE DEACON'S BENCH

Today's reading from Matthew's Gospel comes after a discourse in which Jesus reproaches people who have witnessed his mighty deeds yet still lack belief. In this context, today's Gospel explains the reason for this unbelief and reveals what is necessary for faith. Today's Gospel also continues to enhance our understanding of discipleship as last week's Gospel did.

Jesus first prays in thanksgiving to God who has made himself known to Jesus' disciples. He praises God who has made himself known to the "little ones" and not to the wise and learned. As in other recent readings from Matthew's Gospel, a contrast is made here between the unbelieving Pharisees, who are wise and learned, and the faithful disciples, tax collectors, and sinners with whom Jesus keeps company.

The second part of this reading calls to our attention the unity between the Father and the Son. God has made himself known through Jesus, and in knowing Jesus, we come to know the Father. In Jesus' life and in his person, God reveals himself to us.

In the concluding sentences of today's Gospel, Jesus' teaching is again contrasted to the teaching of the Pharisees. This common theme of Matthew's Gospel probably reflects tension that existed between Jesus and the Pharisees and between the Pharisees and the community of Christians for whom Matthew wrote. Pharisaic Judaism became the predominant form of Judaism after the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem about 70 A.D. Here that tension is expressed as alternative paths of holiness. The careful observance of the Mosaic law taught by the Pharisees could be experienced by some as difficult and burdensome. In contrast, Jesus' way of holiness is presented as uncomplicated and even restful.

MASS SCHEDULE

DAILY MASS

Monday | 7 am
Tuesday & Thursday | 12 pm
Wednesday | 7:00 am

SATURDAY VIGIL

5 pm

SUNDAY

9 am & 6 pm Urdu

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tuesday & Thursday | 12:30 pm
Saturday | 4 pm

ADORATION

Tuesday & Thursday | 12:30 pm

1st SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH

Adoration & Reconciliation | 7:30 am
Mass | 9 am

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In case of an emergency requiring the ministry of a priest, outside parish office hours (and especially in danger of death), please contact the priests at (518) 482-3375. If no one answers, please leave a message.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday (7/4/26)

9:00 am

Conversion of Our Country
Peace in the World

5:00 pm

♡ Bill C

♡ Michael Anthony Sparks

Sunday (7/5/26) 9:00 am

† Jack & Brian Cromie

† Mary Ellen Kalled

♡ Soon-Ja Kim

† Ernest Barvoets

Monday (7/6/26) 7:00 am

† Leona Simonin

♡ Federica Mercader

Tuesday (7/7/26) 12:00 pm

† Joseph & Frances Bologna

† Anna Gi-Sun Kim

† George Bradt

Wednesday (7/8/26) 7:00 am

♡ Matsui Cromie Family

♡ Helen Kim

Thursday (7/9/26) 12:00 pm

† Soon-Shim Kim

♡ Judy Bradt

† Vera & Luigi Cosentino

† Rose & Gina Bucolo

Friday (7/10/26) NO MASS

Saturday (7/11/26) 5:00 pm

♡ Bill C

♡ Michael Anthony Sparks

† Jerry Mineau

† Ronald Guiry

† V. Joseph Zell

Sunday (7/12/26) 9:00 am

Pro Populo

For the People

Please note: Mass intentions with a

† indicate the person is deceased;

♡ indicates that the person is alive.

*If you are having a Mass offered and
would like to bring up the gifts, please
see an usher before the liturgy begins.*

BAPTISMS

WEDDINGS

FUNERALS

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(518) 462-9885

THE BOUTIQUE

*“The Boutique” is Blessed Sacrament Church’s thrift store! **Shopping hours** are 9 a.m. to noon on Saturdays.

Donation drop offs are Tuesday & Friday, 9 a.m. to noon.

*Due to space constraints, please hold fall/winter clothing items until end of summer, and Christmas items until Fall.

FOOD PANTRY

*Our food pantry is open on Mondays and Thursdays, 10 to 11:30 a.m.

*Items currently needed at our food pantry are: Mashed potatoes, canned hash, stew & chili, macaroni & cheese, tuna, cereal, these items have not been available when ordering items for the pantry. Coffee, tea, laundry detergent and household cleaning products these products are not available through the Region Food Bank and are always in need.

*May statistics: Households served - 196, children - 140, adults - 286, seniors - 98

THIS WEEKEND’S MASS READINGS (7/5/26)

FIRST READING: Zechariah 9:9-10

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 145

SECOND READING: Romans 8:9, 11-13

GOSPEL: Matthew 11:25-30

NEXT WEEKEND’S MASS READINGS (7/13/26)

FIRST READING: Isaiah 55:10-11

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 65

SECOND READING: Romans 8:18-23

GOSPEL: Matthew 13:1-23

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FAITH FORMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY

Regular sessions will resume in September.

To register for next year, please visit the website www.bsc-ffym.org/register and complete the online form. Or, if you prefer, call or e-mail our office: (518) 438-5854; faithformationbsc@gmail.com. We would love to have your family join us!

SCHOOL BUCKS

Hanging out at the mall? Maybe you're enjoying a sweet treat, or celebrating a big event with a delicious meal. Make sure to turn in your Colonie Center shopping receipts to help our school!

June Bonus Points

3x Points

-Sephora, Ulta, Foot Locker, JCrew

4x Points

-Cellaxs Phone Repair, iRepair Xpert, Claires, Zales



FROM OUR URDU COMMUNITY

Every Sunday evening at 6 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament, we offer Mass in Urdu. All are welcome to join us!



SHRINE CHURCH OF OUR LADY OF THE AMERICAS

A MISSION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

Rev. Francis O'Connor, Chaplain
Rev. Mr. Miguel Fabian, Deacon
Confesora Franco, Pastoral Associate/Faith Formation
Debbie Klose, Organist

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Mass Schedule: Sundays, 9 a.m. (English) and 11 a.m. (Spanish); Mass & Adoration on the 1st Fridays of each month 6:30 p.m.

*Mission statement: "We are a vibrant, welcoming, multicultural Catholic community in the heart of the City of Albany celebrating and ministering the presence of Jesus with our parishioners and neighbors."

OFFERTORY: SHARING OUR TREASURE

Regular: \$8,162

Next 2nd Collection 7/19 - School Support



Blessed Sacrament needs at least \$9,000 each week in our collections to break even — not counting unexpected maintenance costs that might arise.

To donate online, scan the QR code above or visit secure.myvanco.com/YHAN/home.



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School summer office hours are Monday - Friday, 9-12

BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL

Growing in Faith. Learning for Life.

We are offering **UPK** for 3-year-olds through the ALBANY SCHOOL DISTRICT

AND FOR THE FIRST TIME, we will be offering **A MULTI-AGE CLASSROOM!**

A multi-age classroom brings together students from two grade levels in one learning environment. While this model is new to some of our families, it has been successfully implemented in many schools and offers a number of educational, social, and emotional benefits for students.

SOME OF THE ADVANTAGES OF MULTI-AGE CLASSROOMS INCLUDE:

- Encouraging students to work collaboratively and support one another
- Allowing children to learn at their own pace and readiness level
- Building leadership, independence, and confidence
- Providing opportunities for peer mentoring and cooperative learning
- Helping students develop flexibility, communication, and problem-solving skills
- Creating a classroom environment that more closely reflects real-world settings where people of different ages and abilities work together

Research has shown that students in multi-age classrooms often develop stronger social skills, greater empathy, and increased academic confidence. These environments can also foster a deeper sense of community and belonging within the classroom.

Faith. Community. Learning. Together.

Please help us promote our school. Take a flyer and place it on a community bulletin board, share it with your family or neighbors with school aged children. Call the school for more information or to schedule a tour.

Handicap Accessible Door

We are aware there is a need for a handicap accessible door and are in the process of researching what are the possible and best options for our current door, what are other churches using and getting quotes for installing an automatic/handicap accessible door for the parking lot entrance door. Once this process is complete we will make a determination on the best route to go.

In the meantime, if anyone is willing to serve as a greeter before and/or after the Masses, please contact the parish office. The greeter could assist in opening the doors for parishioners in need.

Save the dates - Things Going on Around the Diocese

- *February - September, Bible Study, Sacred Heart of Jesus, No Albany, 3rd Sunday of the month at 10 am
- *7/11 & 12 - St. Stanislaus Parish Festival, Amsterdam, NY
- *EWTN'S "Hidden Gems" will air an episode about the Our Lady of Martyrs Shrine in Auriesville on St Kateri's Feast Day, Tues, July 14, 11:30am ET and encore at 11:30pm ET.
- *7/25 - Joshua Retreat: Humility, Hope and Healing, St. Matthew's, Voorheesville.
- *8/9 - Feast of the Assumption Festival, St. Patrick's Ravena, 1 - 6 pm
- *9/21 - Rev. Kenneth J Doyle Golf Tournament
- *9/26 - Back to School Kick Off - Open to Families, Mass at 12 pm with Bishop Mark, followed by Q & A

PLEASE NOTE: Live stream for Sunday Masses will be unavailable until further notice. Below are other places Mass is live streamed.

*All Saints - 9:30 am
www.youtube.com/@allsaintscatholicchurchand2341/streams

*Mater Christi - 11:00 am
www.youtube.com/c/parishofmaterchristi
*Our Lady of the Americas - 9:00 am
www.facebook.com/shrinechurchofourladyoftheamericas

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

July Raffle Winners: \$250 - 1st = Nancy Hourigan; \$50 - 2nd = Marge Mineau and \$25 each for 3rd to 5th Prizes = June Ruf, Mike Breen and Gary Cuzdey. Raffle tickets are \$1 each and are available after Mass and, if requested, mailed to you. Next meeting and raffle drawing is August 5th @ 7 pm. All parish men are welcomed. Thank you for your support.

STAY CONNECTED

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(Sunday Masses are live streamed here)
<https://www.facebook.com/BlessedSacramentCatholicChurch>

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Parish Website:

<https://blessedsacramentalbany.org/>

Hospitality - Overnight Accommodations

As part of the diocesan mission cooperative program Blessed Sacrament will be welcoming a COAR missionary to speak at the Masses the weekend of August 8/9. The missionary to speak is a lay person and will be traveling with her husband. Would you be willing to host this couple overnight? If so, please call the parish office.

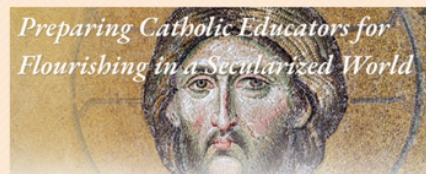
Mary, Our Lady of Light Rosary Group

When: Every 2nd & 4th Wednesday,
beginning July 8, 2026

Time: 5:30 pm

Where: Blessed Sacrament Church
All are Welcome!

Contact: Marcy Hill, text/call 518-637-6311
or email: rosarylight@aol.com



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Earn 100 Bonus School Bucks Points for each public social media post about the School Bucks Program that tags @ColonieCenter and includes your school's official School Bucks hashtag. Ours is #bssa.lbany (Please note **bssa.lbany** is correct even though it seems to be a typo)